

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION
SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0039781-07-0

Permittee: AFP Advanced Food Products LLC, 600 First Ave West, Clear Lake, WI 54005

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: AFP Advanced Food Products LLC, 600 First Avenue West, Clear Lake, WI 54005, Polk County

Receiving Water and Location: Clear Lake through an unnamed pond northwest of the facility

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: Advanced Food Products, LLC located in Clear Lake produces aseptically canned products (cheese sauces, puddings, and diet drinks). Water that is used to cool the product, but does not come into direct contact with the product or any by-product is discharged from two outfalls (001 and 002) to an unnamed pond that is a tributary to Clear Lake. The discharge from the pond runs through a short drainageway to Clear Lake.

High strength waste is collected and land applied. It consists primarily of water from pre- and post rinses throughout the various systems in the plant. The permittee cannot land apply more than the monthly average limit of 20,000 gallons per day. Land application of waste shall be done in accordance with permit conditions and applicable codes. All land application sites shall be approved prior to their use. To receive a list of approved sites, or to be notified of potential approvals, contact the basin engineer named below.

All sanitary waste is sent to the Village of Clear Lake municipal wastewater treatment plant.

It is the Department's intention to renew the permit for another term. The proposed new permit term expiration date will be September 30, 2011. Appropriate discharge limitations, monitoring requirements, and reporting conditions will be included in the permit. There has been no request to increase the discharge from any of the outfalls, therefore, limits established in the previous permit will again be implemented.

Permit Drafter: Sheri A. Snowbank, DNR, 810 Maple Street, Spooner, WI 54801, (715) 635-4131, snowbs@dnr.state.wi.us

Basin Engineer: Peter Prusak, DNR, 1341 2nd Avenue, Cumberland, WI 54829, (715) 822-5421, prusap@dnr.state.wi.us

The Department has tentatively decided that the above specified WPDES permit should be reissued.

Limitations and conditions which the Department believes adequately protect the receiving water are included in the proposed permit.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination.

A public informational hearing may be held if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Stats., or if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit and fact sheet (if required), may be inspected and copied at the permit drafter's or basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (715) 635-4131 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (usually 20 cents per page) will be charged for copies of information in the file other than the public notice and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/wm/ww/>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

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